Year	Allocation made (Rs. in Lakh)		
	ARWSP-Normal	ARWSP-DDP	PMGY-Rural Drinking Water
2000-2001	7085.00	400.00	2590.85
2001-2002	7837.00	400.00	3265.20
2002-2003	6546.00	153.00	—

(d) State Government has been directed to chalk out action plan to cover all habitations by March 2004.

Alleviation of rural poverty through land reforms

1167. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Ninth Plan identified the land reforms as an important policy instrument for the alleviation of rural poverty;

(b) if so, the progress in various States in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission has expressed unhappiness over the lack of progress in the Plan appraisal; and

(d) the reaction of Government and action proposed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An area of 53.94 lakh acres of land has been distributed to 56.47 lakh beneficiaries under Ceiling Surplus Land. Under distribution of Government Wastelands an area of 147.47 lakh acres of land has been distributed amongst land less rural poor. Under the programme of Bhoodan Lands an area of 21.75 lakh acres of land has been distributed. State-wise progress under the three programmes may be seen in the enclosed Statement I, II and III (*See* below).

(c) The subject of land reforms is under the exclusive legislative and administrative jurisdiction of the States *vide* Entry No. 18 of the List II (State List) of the VII Schedule of the Indian Constitution and the Central Government plays only an advisory and coordinating role in this field.

(d) This Ministry has been holding periodic conferences at the level of Revenue Ministers/Revenue Secretaries of the State Governments to watch the progress under land reforms activities. The States/UTs have been asked to prepare Action Plans for the distribution of available Ceiling Surplus Land, Government Wastelands and Bhoodan Lands to SC and ST beneficiaries and other rural land less poor.

Statement-I

Statement showing the distribution of ceiling surplus land as on 31st, March 2002

(Area in acres)

S. No.	States/Uts	Area Declared Surplus	Area Taken posse-ssion	Area Distribute-ed to indv. benef.	No. Total No. of benef.	SC/ST Beneficiaries				Other Beneficiaries	
						SC Beneficiaries		ST Beneficiaries		Other Beneficiaries	
						No.	Area	No.	Area	No.	Area
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1.	Andhra Pradesh	799663	641655	582319	540344	225932	231179	83688	121085	230724	230055
2.	Assam	613400	575377	545870	445848	43720	86068	42361	58985	359767	400817
3.	Bihar	415447	390752	306964	379528	234861	182045	43050	39978	101617	84941
4.	Gujarat	227404	160801	139853	32308	14915	84467	13267	29608	4126	25778
5.	Haryana	107487	103017	102123	29228	12522	43405	NA	NA	16706	58718
6.	Himachal Pradesh	316556	304895	6167	6259	3912	2727	329	245	2018	3195
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	455575	450000	450000	450000	NA	NA	NA	NA	450000	450000
8.	Karnataka	268478	161834	123204	33610	20285	73991	1248	4331	12077	44882
9.	Kerala	141427	96851	68745	166814	70853	26619	8990	7248	86971	34878
10.	Madhya Pradesh	298763	260323	186942	74705	21904	49542	28138	73379	24663	64021
11.	Maharashtra	740002	670449	642835	140850	42128	163742	29528	98675	69194	380418
12.	Manipur	1830	1685	1682	1258	96	128	72	97	1090	1457
13.	Orissa	179176	167253	156948	139595	48059	49975	51390	65682	40146	41291
14.	Punjab	223115	105834	104232	28574	11351	44247	NA	NA	177223	59985
15.	Rajasthan	611096	569211	461847	81808	29656	144357	11586	49957	40566	267533
16.	Tamil Nadu	200920	191628	181295	143683	64239	68704	204	274	79240	112317
17.	Tripura	1995	1944	1598	1424	256	217	359	448	809	933
18.	Uttar Pradesh	374125	341464	258698	294062	200320	180193	699	1195	93043	77310
19.	West Bengal	1383852	1294739	1064044	2651619	983829	365283	512156	221365	1155634	477396
20.	D&N Haveli	9406	9305	6851	3353	30	53	3321	6795	2	3
21.	Delhi	1132	394	394	654	495	277	NA	NA	159	117
22.	Pondicherry	2326	1209	1070	1464	858	640	NA	NA	606	430
	TOTAL:	7373175	6500620	5393681	5646988	2030221	1797859	830386	779347	2786381	2816475

Statement-II

Distribution of Government Wastelands as on March, 2002

Sl. No.	Name of State/ UT	Area Distributed in Lakh Acres
1.	Andhra Pradesh	42.02
2.	Assam	5.89
3.	Bihar*	13.21
4.	Gujarat	13.81
5.	Haryana	0.00
6.	Himachal Pradesh	0.17
7.	Karnataka	13.72
8.	Kerala	4.57
9.	Madhya Pradesh#	0.79
10.	Maharashtra	10.23
11.	Manipur	0.32
12.	Punjab	1.10
13.	Orissa	7.26
14.	Tamil Nadu	2.07
15.	Tripura	1.32
16.	Uttar Pradesh@	24.89
17.	West Bengal	4.32
18.	Goa	0.05
19.	Mizoram	0.74
20.	Rajasthan	0.93
21.	Delhi	0.06
	TOTAL:	147.47

*Including Jharkhand
#Including Chhattisgarh
@Including Uttaranchal

Statement-III

Distribution of Bhoodan Land (upto March, 2002)

(Area in lakh acres)

Sl. No.	States	Area		
		Donated	Distributed	Balance
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2.52	1.10	1.42
2.	Assam	0.01	0.01	Nil
3.	Bihar*	21.18	7.23	13.95
4.	Gujarat	0.34	0.27	0.07
5.	Haryana	0.02	0.02	Nil
6.	Himachal Pradesh	Neg.	Neg.	Neg.
7.	J & K	Neg.	Neg.	Neg.
8.	Karnataka	0.11	0.05	0.06
9.	Kerala	0.02	0.02	Nil
10.	Madhya Pradesh#	1.72	1.41	0.31
11.	Maharashtra	1.04	0.27	0.77
12.	Orissa	6.39	5.80	0.59
13.	Punjab	0.05	0.01	0.04@
14.	Rajasthan	1.15	1.14	0.01
15.	Tamil Nadu	0.24	0.21	0.03
16.	Uttar Pradesh%	4.37	4.21	0.16
17.	West Bengal	Neg.	Neg.	Neg.
	TOTAL:	39.16	21.75	17.41

@Area not taken possession.
*Including Jharkhand
#Including Chhattisgarh
%Including Uttaranchal